Reviewing of SSIs

2531. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state.

(a) whether Government are reviewing the Small Scale Industries and propose to come out with a comprehensive package of proposals to promote this sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the proposals sent to Finance Ministry and Planning Commission have since been cleared;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) by what time such proposals are likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) to (e) Review of the policies and programme related to small scale industry, by the Government is a continues process which is achieved through the meetings of Small Scale Industries Board, product specific meetings with stakeholders etc. The Government is in the process of formulating a major promotional package for the small-scale sector. The details of the package are being worked out. Final proposal in regard to major promotional package is yet to be sent to Ministry of Finance and to Planning Commission. Implementation of the proposals will be taken up after they are approved.

Subsidy to SSI in Karnataka

2532. SHRI K. B KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that the Karnataka Government is finding it difficult to sanction the subsidy amount due to Small Scale Industries in the State for many years;

(b) if so, whether there is any demand from Karnataka Government for releasing funds for giving subsidy to Small Scale Industries; and

(c) the amount of assistance sought for and the action taken by Government in this regard?